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**FISCAL IMPACT STATEMENT**

**LS 8140**

**BILL NUMBER:** HB 1750

**DATE PREPARED:** Jan 21, 1999

**BILL AMENDED:**

**SUBJECT:** School accountability.

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**FUNDS AFFECTED:** X **GENERAL**  
**DEDICATED**  
**FEDERAL**

**IMPACT:** State

<b>STATE IMPACT</b>	<b>FY 1999</b>	<b>FY 2000</b>	<b>FY 2001</b>
<b>State Revenues</b>			
<b>State Expenditures</b>		<b>1,100,000</b>	<b>200,000</b>
<b>Net Increase (Decrease)</b>		<b>(1,100,000)</b>	<b>(200,000)</b>

**Summary of Legislation:** This bill provides that a school may be accredited by meeting the criteria for the Malcolm Baldrige National Quality Award for Education rather than under performance based accreditation.

The bill establishes the Education Roundtable as a permanent advisory body and working group to make recommendations to the Indiana State Board of Education on a variety of subjects. It transfers the duties of the State Standards Task Force to the Education Roundtable.

It adds additional benchmarks and indicators of performance to the school corporation annual performance report. It establishes a school accountability program for targeted and continuous school improvement. It requires each school and school corporation to develop an annual strategic and continuous school improvement plan. It requires the Department of Education to use a school corporation's annual performance report to assess the improvement of each school in the school corporation. It requires the Indiana State Board of Education to develop categories of school improvement and place each school in a category. It provides a series of interventions for schools that do not show improvement based on the number of years that improvement is not demonstrated. It provides for creation of a system of recognition and financial awards for schools that demonstrate improvement.

It requires the Indiana State Board of Education to obtain an independent evaluation of all state education programs and policies that includes recommendations for improvement or restructuring.

It repeals the State Standards Task Force Law. It repeals a statute under the performance based accreditation law that requires the development of a level of expected performance for each school in light of the school's socioeconomic factors.

It appropriates money to the Department of Education for staff training and to the Indiana State Board of Education for operational expenses of the board and the Education Roundtable.

**Effective Date:** July 1, 1999; July 1, 2001.

**Explanation of State Expenditures:** This bill appropriates \$1.3 million over the course of the 1999-2001 biennium for the following purposes:

<u>Purpose</u>	<u>Appropriation</u>	<u>Time Period</u>
Evaluation of state accountability program	\$800,000	July 1, 1999 through June 30, 2000
Staff training of Dept. Of Ed. Staff	\$200,000	July 1, 2000 through June 30, 2001
Operational expenses, surveys, consultants	\$300,000	July 1, 1999 through June 30, 2001

**Explanation of State Revenues:**

**Explanation of Local Expenditures:** Adding new benchmarks and indicators of performance to the performance report that school corporations publish would likely increase the number of pages of the report and increase the costs of the publications.

**Explanation of Local Revenues:**

**State Agencies Affected:** Department of Education; State Board of Education

**Local Agencies Affected:** School Corporations

**Information Sources:**